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Thanks!

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Ex. 5 AC/DP

From: Rowsey, Kevin <<u>rowsey.kevin@epa.gov</u>>
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Hi Barb,

Per our conversation, I've attached the Cover Letter to the Seneca Nation effectively ending our formal consultation on the Roulette Oil & Gas draft permit. As I said when we spoke, I believe ending the consultation as this time is in line with EPA's Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes. We've been engaged in consultation with the Nation since January 29, 2021. In that time they submitted their formal comments to EPA but didn't request any other meetings or information since our January 29th meeting. EPA has now responded to all of their comments (attached) and it's the belief of the UIC program that we can conclude our consultation. However, I'd like to get OCTEA's blessing before I route these documents through concurrence for our DD's signature.

Please let me know ASAP whether OCTEA agrees with our decision to conclude consultation with the Seneca Nation.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Kevin Rowsey

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